



LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION ON HIV HEALTH SERVICES

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COMMISSION ON HIV HEALTH SERVICES MEETING MINUTES June 9, 2005

Approved 7/14/05

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS ABSENT	PUBLIC (cont.)	HIVEPI AND OAPP STAFF
Al Ballesteros, <i>Co-Chair</i>	Nettie DeAugustine, <i>Co-Chair</i>	Kelly Kent	Patricia Gibson
Carla Bailey	Ruben Acosta	Frank Levels	Ray Johnson
Anthony Braswell	Adrian Aguilar	Kevin Lewis	Vicki Nagata
Carrie Broadus	John Caranto	Davyd McCoy	Mario Perez
Robert Butler	Ruth Davis	Sue McGinnis	Rose Valencia
Charles Carter	Nancy Eugenio	Veronica Morales	Amy Wohl
Richard Eastman	Gunther Freehill	Michael O'Connor	Juhua Wu
Whitney Engeran	Alexander Gonzales	Everado Orozco	
Hugo Farias	Michael Lewis	Angelica Palmeros	
William Fuentes	Elizabeth Marte	Rick Platt	
David Giugni	Vicky Ortega	Carlos Peralta	
John Griggs	Alexis Rivera	Jane Price-Wallace	
Rebecca Johnson-Heath	Fontaine Shockley	Alicia Rhoden	
Wilbert Jordan		Andrew Signey	
Marcy Kaplan	PUBLIC	James Skinner	
Brad Land/Dean Page		Jon Stockton	COMMISSION STAFF/ CONSULTANTS
Anna Long	Cinderella Barrios-Cernik	Gary Vrooman	
Andrew Ma	Chenf Barrit	Sharon White	Virginia Bonila
Elizabeth Mendia	Diane Brown	Patricia Woody	Gary Garcia
Chris Perry	Donna Brown		Jane Nachazel
Wendy Schwartz	Mario Chavez		Glenda Pinney
Paul Scott/Richard Hamilton	Genevieve Clavreul		Doris Reed
Vanessa Talamantes	Wendy Garland		James Stewart
Kathy Watt	Jeffrey Goodman		Nicole Werner
Fariba Younai	Miki Jackson		Craig Vincent-Jones

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- I. CALL TO ORDER:** Mr. Ballesteros called the meeting to order at 9:50 am. He welcomed participants, and asked the potential Commission nominees to introduce themselves as well.
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** The OAPP report was delayed until 11:45 am and Dr. Younai requested that the Standards of Care Committee (SOC) presentation be moved to Item V, following Public Comment.
MOTION #1: Approve the Agenda Order as amended (*Passed by Consensus*).
- III. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:**
- A. May 12, 2005:** Minutes approved with no changes.
MOTION #2: Approve minutes from the May 12, 2005 Commission on HIV Health Services meeting (*Passed by Consensus*).
- IV. PARLIAMENTARIAN REMARKS:** There was no report.
- V. PUBLIC COMMENT, NON-AGENDIZED:**
- Mr. Kent, the HOPWA Coordinator with the City of Los Angeles Housing Department reported that “Connections” is the housing and health study, a grant that was awarded to Los Angeles—one of three cities—as a demonstration project to provide services to homeless people with HIV/AIDS. It is a collaborative grant through HUD and CDC. The CDC grantee is Research Triangle Institute (RTI), who will be tracking the participants’ health outcomes over time. The Housing Department is the local grantee for the housing vouchers. RTI is funding Tarzana Treatment Center to provide the intensive case management for participants, to connect them with supportive services and to encourage housing stability. He noted that Tarzana is hiring for the case management positions, and suggested anyone who is interested contact Jose Rodriguez at the agency. Mr. Ballesteros proposed that Mr. Kent make a more detailed presentation on the project for the Commission in the future.
- VI. CO-CHAIRS’ REPORT:**
- A. Year 15 Conditions of Award:** Mr. Ballesteros referred to the memo to Mario Perez, Interim Director of OAPP, outlining the Conditions of Award (COA) documents required from the Commission. He went on to describe that Attachment A is the 2005 Planning Council budget for March 1, 2005 to February 28, 2006; Attachment B is the letter sent to OAPP endorsing the priorities and allocations for Year 15, followed by Title I’s Year 15 allocations; Attachment C is the planning council’s implementation plan for 2005..
- VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT:**
- A. Staffing/Personnel Changes:**
- Mr. Vincent-Jones reported that there are currently two vacancies: for the Planning Coordinator and the Senior Secretary III position. He noted that he had intentionally delayed filling the Senior Sec III position until the Year 15 Title I award was clear. He continued saying that staff is moving forward very aggressively to fill both vacancies, especially the Planning position since H-CAP was beginning again. Given the critical nature of the position to H-CAP, he reported that the Executive Office had agreed to cover the cost of a temporary employee in the Planning position.
 - Through the County’s Community-Based Enterprise Education Program (CBEEP), the office will be getting some interns as well. C-BEEP interns are graduate studies working on projects aligned with their course of study. Don Quach is the first intern, who will help with H-CAP, along with possibly two others from local universities. He added that they have asked for C-BEEP interns to help with public awareness and standards. Last, he noted that the Commission office would be getting a student worker for the summer. That person would—in addition to helping catch up with the clerical work—would also be helping load the information onto the new website.
 - Mr. Vincent-Jones also reported that he had proposed the allocation of an additional staff item, starting in Year 16, to the Executive Committee, and they approved the request. The new staff position will perform the biostatistical functions related to H-CAP and any other research/evaluation activities. The justification for the expenditure is the current contract with Partnership for Community Health (PCH), which accounts for about half-time work. For the same cost, the Commission can get a full-time professional employee. Other projected benefits include ensuring the Commission’s proprietary oversight of the data, more flexibility to generate special analyses, and more capacity to respond to new research and evaluation initiatives.

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B. Resolution for LGBT Pride Month:

- Mr. Vincent-Jones reported that the Commission is partnering with the Human Relations Commission to prompt the Board of Supervisors declare June LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender) Pride Month. The County internally has a number of month-long pride celebrations for different ethnic and cultural heritages, but there never has been anything dedicated to LGBT. The Commission partnered with HR Commission because both thought it was important to raise awareness about LGBT issues within the County structure itself. He went on to say that this would be the first step of a much larger initiative in future years, and this would become an annual event. The item was on the June 14 Board meeting agenda with Supervisor Gloria Molina introducing it, and entails a series of proclamations for both the HIV Commission and the Human Relations Commission and six Pride organizations: CSW Long Beach, Long Beach, San Gabriel Valley, San Fernando Valley, Latino Gay Pride, Black Gay Pride.

C. UCLA NIH Application:

- Mr. Vincent-Jones reported that the Executive Committee accepted a proposal to collaborate with UCLA Schools of Dentistry and Public Health on an NIH application. Dr. Younai explained that it would incorporate the needs assessment process and information in a project to determine the effectiveness of oral health services. She indicated that it will help bridge self-reported needs assessment with client-level, clinically-determined need through examinations and actual oral health assessments. The NIH deadline is September 1, 2005.
- Mr. Vincent-Jones proposed this collaboration because it parallels the Commission's future focus on service effectiveness, which may include alternating H-CAP one year from needs assessment to service effectiveness evaluation in the next. Ms. Broadus asked where they would begin to develop the protocol in terms of that collaboration. This body cannot do the kind of in-depth research and evaluation that needs to occur without some procedures in place. She suggested that the staff and the Executive Committee begin working on those tools. Mr. Vincent-Jones concurred, reminding everyone of the plan he to launch an associated foundation so that the Commission can enter into these types of activities more readily; he remarked that these types of procedures would help that effort as well.

D. Miscellaneous:

- Provided the Commission approved the later proposal to cancel August Commission meeting, Mr. Vincent-Jones said he asked for time on the Public Health Commission agenda to introduce the HIV Commission. Normally, the two meetings conflict, so the HIV Commission has not had an opportunity to formally introduce itself to the Public Health Commission.
- Mr. Vincent-Jones also reported that Commission staff is trying to get the Commission packets ready in advance so they can be uploaded online, giving everyone an opportunity to review them in advance. However, the current deadlines don't work. To move this objective forward, he said he would be proposing adjustments to the deadlines and developing procedures in the near future. He added that if staff were going to keep the volume of the minutes down, Commissioners would have to edit what they ask to be included in the minutes when they review them—he noted that in the last several meetings, Commissioners had asked that specific comments be added to the minutes, which only lengthens them considerably.
- Last, he announced that the Executive Office had changed its servers, and the Commission was having problems sending e-mail to AOL accounts. He said they were following up on the problem internally, and encouraged those members with AOL accounts to contact AOL about the problem as well.

VIII. STATE OFFICE OF AIDS (OA) REPORT: Mr. Vincent-Jones reported that this office is intending to recommend Peg Taylor for their seat.

IX. OFFICE OF AIDS PROGRAMS AND POLICY (OAPP) REPORT: Dr. Schunhoff, Chief Operating Officer for Public Health, introduced Mr. Mario Perez as the Interim Director of OAPP, and Ms. Gibson as the Interim Director of Operations for OAPP. He noted that Ms. Gibson's position is expected to become a permanent, and they will be conducting a national search to identify a new Director. Once the proposed process is approved, he will distribute it to the community. He said that he hoped to conclude the hiring process in four to six months. Dr. Jordan asked if the Commission would have input into the selection process, and Dr. Schunhoff responded that they would.

A. Staffing/Personnel Changes:

- Mr. Perez reported that the Director of Operations position was one of the structural changes recommended in the organizational review of OAPP by KPMG eighteen months earlier. The position is intended to oversee several divisions at OAPP, such as Finance, Administrative Services, Information Systems and Contract Administration.
- In sharing some of his personal experience, Mr. Perez said that he had been working in the HIV/AIDS field for approximately 15 years, previously served on the Commission, and has been serving on the Prevention Planning

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Committee for the past eight years. He acknowledged the learning curve ahead for him, noting that his most recent past focus has been on HIV prevention.

- Mr. Perez then went on to offer his perspective on the current status of and challenges ahead in HIV/AIDS work for Los Angeles County:
 - In comparison to other jurisdictions the County has a fairly mature HIV/AIDS response. In the last several years, OAPP has managed to secure additional resources to try some new models of both care and prevention.
 - Increasingly, standards tied to the delivery of care services, and there has been an ongoing pursuit for cost efficiency, as evidenced by the rate studies and fee-for-services—efforts he will continue to fully support.
 - He is particularly committed to congruency between spending and performance, given past experiences of some investments failing to translate into improved services, high quality services, or service delivery.
 - He will continue to look to the Commission for funding recommendations, allocations and direction, and is beginning to familiarize himself with CARE Act activities and the ongoing conditions of award.
 - There continue to be threats to an effective service delivery system in LA County:
 - discussions at the State level may impact funding levels for some of the larger jurisdictions in California;
 - the Federal HIV landscape is particularly precarious given their absence of a reporting system that is endorsed by the CDC
 - Ryan White CARE Act Reauthorization must play out in a way that does not hurt California.
 - He committed to keeping the Commission apprised and updated about these and other policy, financing and planning issues in the future.
- Mr. Perez promised to give thorough consideration to their recommendations for Commission membership, and would make such recommendations in order to facilitate the Commission's work.
- He announced that the Board of Supervisors recently accepted and approved OAPP's Special Projects of National Significance (SPNS) award from HRSA for case management for young African American/Latino gay men. He looks to this project to help identify additional interventions of getting young men of color diagnosed, linked into care, and staying in care.
- HIV Counseling and Testing Day is June 27, 2005. It is recognized for the whole week in Los Angeles County, between June 24 and June 28, 2005. This year they identified 16 sites in the eight Service Planning Areas (SPAs) by three criteria: 1) the number of people living with HIV/AIDS in the zip codes; 2) the number of new HIV diagnoses in the zip codes; and 3) the number of high-risk negative testers in the zip codes. Those providers will offer counseling and testing services over the five consecutive days. Incentives will be provided to people high risk for HIV, including African-American and Latino man between 18 and 35. They are also encouraging rapid testing. Mr. Hamilton queried about the female partners of high risk men also getting incentives, and Mr. Perez pledged to give it further consideration before the start of the week.
- The Residential Hospice-Skilled Nursing RFP is expected to be released soon.
- OAPP recently submitted the CDC progress report and the Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI) final report for 2004, noting that they met or exceeded all of the MAI goals in case management, oral health and medical outpatient. There are two Conditions of Award due July 1, 2005, and Dr. Green and Ms. Wu have begun to preparing those for submission by an extended due date.
- Mr. Engeran asked for a status on the viral load and resistant testing vouchers. Ms. Gibson responded that everything has been implemented. Notifications have been sent to the providers about additional vouchers that would be available through OAPP. Funds on those providers' medical outpatient contracts will be frozen to the extent that they use those vouchers and then OAPP will be reimbursing the Public Health Lab directly. Mr. Vincent-Jones added that Standards of Care is following up with that issue as well.
- Dr. Jordan expressed concerns regarding the temporary suspension of services funded detailed in the letter sent by Ms. Diana Vasquez from OAPP. Mr. Ballesteros asked Mr. Whitney Engeran to have Public Policy look into this matter. Mr. Perez will also inquire and follow up with Dr. Jordan at a later date.
- Mr. Land asked about the impact of Prop 36 on substance abuse services. Mr. Perez suggested that the Commission should contact local Alcohol and Drug Program Administration and get a more thorough response.
- Mr. Ballesteros asked if the medical outpatient rate study was completed. Ms. Gibson responded that Mercer was still working on a draft copy, and was hoping that it would be issued within the next three to four weeks for departmental review, and then, ultimately, public review. They are anticipating that Mercer will present the report to the Commission and the Health Deputies, prior to the period of public comment. Mr. Vincent-Jones reminded the Commission that the Standards of Care (SOC) Committee had sent a request to OAPP asking for a meeting to have a more deliberate discussion on the Commission's role in the whole rate study process, and noted that, after several follow-up and

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reminder calls with all relevant parties at DHS and OAPP, they still had not gotten a response. He asked that Mr. Perez follow up and arrange that meeting. He added that the memorandum also suggested a longer public comment/review period than 30 days.

- Sharon White, Co-Chair for the Los Angeles County Women Caucus on HIV/AIDS, offered the caucus' support for research and social research, especially involving women.

X. HIV EPIDEMIOLOGY PROGRAM REPORT:

A. Directly-Administered Antiretroviral Therapy (DAART)/Adherence Case Management: Dr. Wohl began her presentation by reporting on results from a CDC-funded intervention study testing adherence support models for PLWH at three public clinics in Los Angeles County. This was a collaborative effort between the HIV Epidemiology Program, OAPP, Harbor-UCLA Medical Center, and LAC+USC 5P21 and Maternal, Child, Adolescent (MCA). She started by stipulating that adherence to complex Highly Active Anti-Retroviral Treatment (HAART) regimens is one of the greatest life challenges for people with HIV. There were 82 people in the DAART arm of the study, 84 patients in the intensive adherence case management arm, and 84 patients in the standard of care, or the 'control'.

- Dr. Wohl noted that part of the challenge is to devise innovative strategies to keep people in care, and it must involve people's social networks and affiliation, their family support systems, and friendship networks. Ms. Broadus concurred with Dr. Wohl's assessment of the importance of social supports, based on the feedback she gets from consumers, and encouraged a future presentation on the subject.
- Mr. Butler asked about the next steps. Dr. Wohl responded that sharing the information with the Commission, participating clients and clinics was the first step; the next step includes publication, hopefully in the Journal of AIDS, and presentations of parts of the data and the full study in different venues—which they have already done some of to good feedback. She added that a new study just got funded by UARP which is going one step further in trying to identify what it is about people's social networks that gets people to get to and stay in care, and suggested that should be the next presentation, as suggested by Ms. Broadus, to the Commission.
- Ms. Broadus asked if SOC would play a role. Mr. Vincent-Jones responded that this type of information would help inform the development of case management, medical outpatient and other standards, and should be addressed when SOC considering best practices. He clarified the HIV Epi shouldn't be the party who is asked what to do next: they have done the research in accordance with their role, and will disseminate the findings. The next steps of incorporating the findings into service delivery, he underscored, were the responsibility of the Commission and OAPP locally.

XI. PREVENTION PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT: Ms. Mendia reported that there was significant discussion around expanding the membership of the PPC. The current membership is at 16 members, but their goal is 30. It was also announced that the PPC adopted a new meeting structure, to hold its meetings on alternate months with subcommittee meetings in between. The PPC also discussed the PPC's Strategic Plan, developed by the Executive Committee and adopted by the full body.

XIII. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Ad Hoc Strategic Planning Committee: Ms. Kaplan reported that they have been meeting for the last four or five months. They have been looking at short-term strategic planning as well as longer-term strategic planning and working closely with Diane Burbie.

1. *Implementation Plan:* Ms. Kaplan briefly outlined the roll-out of the strategic planning implementation, including stakeholder meetings and interviews as detailed in the accompanying memo.

MOTION #3: Approve the proposed Strategic Planning Implementation Plan, including cancellation of the August Commission meeting to accommodate additional strategic planning efforts (*Passed by Consensus*).

B. Standards of Care (SOC) Committee: Dr. Younai began her presentation by summarizing modifications made to the three standards that had been open for public comment.

1. *Mental Health, Psychiatry:* Outcome indicators will now be formatted throughout the standards uniformly: they will detail the outcome, and specify if there are baseline benchmarks already established. Where there are no baselines yet available, they will be developed in future years as the outcomes are further refined. In addition, service unit measures for the psychiatry services were changed from 15-minute increments to one-hour increments.

MOTION #4: Adopt the Mental Health, Psychiatric standard of care, as presented (*Passed by Consensus*).

2. *Mental Health, Psychosocial:* The name has been changed to Mental Health, Psychotherapy. The same changes as Mental Health, Psychiatry apply.

MOTION #5: Adopt the Mental Health, Psychotherapy standard of care, as presented (*Passed by Consensus*).

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3. *Oral Health:* Procedures were identified in conflicting formats. They were changed to reflect diagnostic, prophylactic and dental procedures rather than treatment sessions. The outcomes and indicators were modified as described in the other standards. The benchmark was determined for prophylactic services, but future measurements are going to allow for better benchmarks for oral health services as well.
 - Mr. Engeran asked about the California Psychiatric Association and the Dental Associations: would they be informed of the Commission's new standards, and would any effort be made to persuade them to incorporate the Commission's standards into their own? Dr. Younai responded that determining the next steps—the dissemination plan—once the standards are done, was on the SOC agenda for upcoming meetings. Once this is ready, the Committee will present it to the Commission.

MOTION #6: Adopt the Oral Health standard of care, as presented (*Passed by Consensus*).

4. *Language Services:* Dr. Younai noted that they would be open for public comment until June 28, 2005. The services are broken in three separate categories: 1) health care interpreter training; 2) language translation of document, and 3) sign language interpretation. The health care interpreter training entails providing training standards for bilingual staff members of AIDS service organizations. Language translation services are for agencies or providers that are contracted to translate documents for service organizations. Sign language interpretation must be made available for people who have hearing disabilities, impaired hearing, or are completely deaf.
 - Ms. Broadus noted that there are a lot of clients who speak English, but have low literacy, which evidence shows is a significant barrier to quality services. She asserted that Language services show address that disparity, as well as barriers due to other languages. Mr. Vincent-Jones reminded the Commission that it was the intent of the body to address that issue when it changed the name of the service category from Translation/Interpretation to Language Services, during its last strategic planning effort. Mr. Vincent-Jones responded that it is a huge issue, and one which the Committee decided had to be determined at a later date. He noted that Title I will not pay for literacy services but suggested that it would be wise to start developing standards for services that are being provided to clients whether or not they are funded by Title I and Title II or other resources. He pointed to the staff and Committee reports at the end of each standard, which includes suggestions and issues for future revisions.
 - Mr. Ma suggested that Standards of Care recommend that the providers add on the screening process to identify when clients need interpreters. They may speak English but are not familiar with medical terminology.

C. Recruitment, Diversity and Bylaws (RD&B) Committee:

1. *Ordinance/Bylaws:* Mr. Butler report that the Ordinance was heard for its first reading the prior Tuesday and will be submitted for its second reading on June 14, 2005. If approved, there will be a 30-day waiting period. After the waiting period, and with the seating of a majority of Commissioners, it will go into effect. He reminded everyone that retiring Commissioners need to attend the July meeting in order to seat the new Commissioners.
2. *New Member Nominations:* Attached is the proposed membership, including Andrew Signey and Angelica Palmeros, which were originally not included in the written list presented to the Commission at its last meeting—although their nominations were submitted along with everyone else's. Also included are the proposed Alternates: Susan McGinnis, Terry Goddard, Gary Vrooman, Daisy Aguirre, Kevin Lewis, Carlos Aguilar, Richard Platt and Dean Page. He asked that the Commission accept the nominations of Fariba Younai, Anna Long, Hugo Farias, Carrie Broadus and Wendy Schwartz although the paperwork must still be submitted.

MOTION #7: Ratify the new member nominations of Andrew Signey and Angelica Palmeros, as corrected on the new member roster (*Passed by Consensus*).

MOTION #8: Nominate Alternate/remaining member recommendations to the Board of Supervisors (*Passed by Consensus*).

MOTION #9: Nominate the proposed candidates to the Board of Supervisors, contingent upon completion of the appropriate application materials (*Passed by Consensus*).

3. *Co-Chair Nominations:* Mr. Butler opened the floor for nominations for Co-Chairs to be elected with the new membership the following month. Collectively, one of the two Co-Chairs must be a person of color, one must be HIV-positive proposed, one must be female. The proposed Bylaws that will be forwarded the following month have eliminated the requirement for a female, and instead recommend gender diversity among the Co-Chairs. However, the Commission must abide by the current requirements. Only those who have served a year or more on the Commission are eligible to serve as a Co-Chair. He noted that nominations could be accepted until the following month's Co-Chair elections. Nominees included:
 - Carla Bailey
 - Al Ballesteros
 - Nettie DeAugustine

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- Whitney Engeran
- Kathy Watt
- 4. *Executive Committee At-Large Nominations:* Mr. Butler also indicated that new At-Large members of the Executive Committee would be elected at the next meeting as well. There are no specific requirements, this will serve as their primary Committee assignment, and there will be three seats. Nominations can be accepted up until the following month's election:
 - Davyd McCoy
 - Angelica Palmeros
- 5. *Committee Interest Forms:* Mr. Butler announced that all new and continuing Commissioners must fill out a Committee Interest Form to indicate their Committee preferences. He also clarified that not everyone gets assigned to their first-choice committee. The Co-Chairs try to accommodate interest and skill level, but there are a variety of other criteria that must be weighed and considered as well.
- D. Public Policy Committee:** Mr. Engeran reported that the Committee is forming a workgroup around privacy, interested in looking at issues such as HIPAA, electronic medical record sharing, and other factors involved in confidentiality, security and privacy. He asked for volunteers from members of the Commission and asked that they contact him, Wendy Schwartz or Craig Vincent-Jones to be included in the group.
 1. *HOPWA:*
 - Mr. Vrooman said he would be reporting each month on information from the HOPWA Program. Due to lack of time, Mr. Kelly Kent will come at a later time to give a more extensive presentation on housing programs/services. Nationally, HOPWA was cut by \$13 million in the prior year, and it is expected that there will be another cut this year. Section 8 is tenuous and is long-term liability. He encouraged everyone to advocate strongly for the preservation of these programs. They are the cornerstone of providing housing to so many PLWH/As living in Los Angeles County.
 2. *Medical Marijuana*
 - Mr. Engeran noted for the record that the decision of the United States Supreme Court regarding medical marijuana, stating, in effect, that federal law supersedes State law. Mr. Eastman reported that State Attorney General Bill Lockyer said the State law is still in effect. Medical marijuana facilities are still open and operating. This matter will be discussed at the next Public Policy meeting on June 17, 2005.
 3. *Reauthorization:* Ms. Schwartz reported that Mr. Vincent-Jones has been working on getting the Reauthorization policy through all the County processes in order to give it to other elected officials and schedule meetings. Once this has been processed completed, they will be scheduling meetings with key Los Angeles area Congressional leaders.
 - Ms. Broadus asked how community stakeholders can use the Reauthorization policy as an advocacy tool. Mr. Ballesteros suggested that Public Policy look into the issue.
 4. *AJR 24: Resolution for Reauthorization:* Assembly Joint Resolution 24, which is a joint, non-binding resolution supporting the Reauthorization of the CARE Act. Due to some time constraints, the last Executive Committee approved support of the measure at its last meeting. The Public Policy Committee suggested to the author's office how the language could be improved to more accurately fund the HIV funding situation.
 5. *Supervisory Briefings:* Ms. Schwartz reported that they plan on coordinating meetings between the district representatives and their respective Supervisors/Health Deputies on a semi-annual basis, taking the lead from the district representatives. The meetings are planned to begin once the new Commission members have been seated.
 6. *Miscellaneous:* Ms. Schwartz also reported that SB 1159—Pharmacy Syringe Sales Program has been scheduled for consideration at the Board of Supervisors meeting the following Tuesday.
- E. Finance Committee:** Mr. Ma referred to the expenditure reports for Title I and Title II Year 14 in the packet and will be providing a close-out report later in the year. He added that OAPP has begun working on the expenditure report for Year 15. Year 15 year-to-date figures show that the Commission has spent \$1,340,000 and there are no delinquent agencies.
- F. Priorities and Planning (P&P) Committee:** There was no report.

XIV. COMMISSION COMMENT, NON-AGENDIZED: There was no Commission comment

XV. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Ms. Barrios-Cernik extended an invitation to the Commissioners, CBOs and their clients on July 6, 2005 for a "Procovery" event—taking responsibility for one's life whether it is a chronic illness, substance abuse use, or other factor. She indicated that there will be a speaker on nutrition, and Kathy Watt would be speaking on how to negotiate dating and sex with a partner

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- Mr. Eastman shared that he attended the HIV Update Conference in San Francisco a few weeks prior and that he distributed “Dump Tina” buttons: “tina” is a street name for crystal methamphetamine. Mr. Eastman has distributed the buttons widely, and encouraged everyone to wear them as crystal meth has become a big problem.
- Mr. Hamilton indicated that a *Los Angeles Times* article had reported that Minority AIDS Project (MAP) was closing. He provided a correction, noting that MAP remains open, and that they have been providing care and prevention services for 20 years.
- Mr. Vincent-Jones announced that through a program with the AIDS Service Center (ASC) art therapy group, works of art by people with HIV have been hung in the Commission offices, or as the art space is called “Gallery 1140”. He went on to say that the Commission intends to have an open house to celebrate the new Commission and the art gallery.
- Mr. Giugni distributed a schedule of Los Angeles Pride and Christopher Street West (CSW)-related events for the month, which he indicated was HIV Prevention Month in West Hollywood. He added that over 150 hours of additional testing services would be offered in the city to coincide with HIV Testing Week. He concluded by reporting that the annual Club Freedom CSW Alcohol and Drug Free Dance would be held the Friday night before CSW.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

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